

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for tokenless authorization of an electronic scrip transaction using at least one scrip supporter biometric sample and an electronic identifier, sample, said method comprising the steps of:
 - a. ~~a scrip supporter registration step, wherein a scrip supporter registers with an electronic identifier at least one registration biometric sample;~~
 - b. ~~an electronic scrip transaction proposal step comprising an electronic scrip donator account data, in which the scrip is drawn from a set including: electronic gift certificates, stored value units, electronic coupons having a pre-determined dollar value, minutes of telephone calling time, miles towards earning a free airplane flight, and points towards receiving a commodity or service;~~
 - ea. ~~at least one transmittal step, wherein receiving a scrip supporter bid biometric sample is obtained from the scrip supporter's person and is electronically transmitted to the electronic identifier, and scrip donator identification information;~~
 - db. ~~a scrip supporter identification step, wherein the electronic identifier compares comparing the scrip supporter bid biometric sample with at least one registration biometric sample for producing either a successful or failed identification of the scrip supporter, sample received from a scrip supporter;~~
 - c. upon successful comparison, settling a scrip transaction by debiting an account of a scrip donator identified by the scrip donator identification information and crediting an account of a scrip beneficiary;

wherein ~~upon successful identification of the scrip supporter, a scrip transaction is biometrically authorized, the method occurs without the a scrip supporter presenting any smartcards or magnetic swipe cards.~~ cards at a transaction point.
2. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~Claim claim 1~~ further comprising at least ~~one local identifier containing a subset of all of the registered scrip supporter biometric samples in the electronic identifier, wherein receiving a scrip supporter bid biometric sample includes receiving a personal identification code.~~
3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, ~~2~~, wherein ~~the rule module further comprises at least one pattern data that is associated with at least one execution command.~~ the personal identification code can be associated with a plurality of registration biometric samples received from a plurality of scrip supporters.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, wherein ~~the execution command comprises instructions for accessing at least one electronic registry, the instructions drawn from a set including: at least one scrip donor account and at least one scrip beneficiary account.~~ comparing the scrip supporter bid biometric sample with the at least one registration biometric sample includes comparing the scrip support bid biometric sample against registered biometric samples associated with the personal identification code until a successful comparison is found.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6, ~~1~~, wherein ~~the electronic registry is located on a computer that is external to the authorization system.~~ scrip donor identification information includes a hardware identification code associated with a party data apparatus owned by the scrip donor.

8. (Canceled)

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10. (Canceled)

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15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3-1, further comprising a scrip donator account resource determination step, wherein it is determined if determining whether a scrip donator account has sufficient resources to be debited for an amount specified in associated with the scrip transaction.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)

21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3-1, wherein the at least one scrip supporter's supporter registration biometric sample is drawn from a set including: a fingerprint, a retinal scan, an iris scan, a voice print, a facial scan.

23. (Canceled)

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45. (New) The method of claim 2, wherein the personal identification code is unique to the scrip supporter.

46. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein comparing the bid biometric sample utilizes the personal identification code to locate the at least one registration biometric sample.

47. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving the at least one registration biometric sample from the scrip supporter.

48. (New) The method of claim 47, wherein receiving the at least one registration biometric sample includes:

receiving a personal identification code from the scrip supporter; and
associating the at least one registration biometric sample with the personal identification code.